

of a less mature period, corruption is more an affair of business, and the American eagle flaps its wings over a great deal of it. But the example is one we did not expect an English colony to emulate."

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*Globe* Editorial, September 29, 1891:

*The St. James' Gazette* (High Tory) of the 16th has a long article on the subject headed "Organized Corruption." It comes to the conclusion that "the whole administrative service—indeed we must not add the entire public life—of the Dominion seems to be an Augean stable which is still awaiting its Hercules"; and bids us "set to work to clean it thoroughly out before they (we) begin to theorize about the causes of corruption." The *London Morning Advertiser* (Tory) of the 19th says that, "taking the most favourable view which is possible of the disclosures, they are alarming enough"; but the means of purification "lies mainly in the hands of the people themselves." This is scarcely true seeing that Lord Stanley will not give the people a chance to pass judgment. *The Graphic* (non-political) of the 19th says "it is no longer possible to doubt that corruption in its worst form is rampant in a large portion of the Canadian civil service, and is even on something more than nodding terms with prominent politicians in the Dominion." "Every day new discoveries of the misappropriation of public moneys are cropping up, and the political washtub is black with the linen that has been cast into it."

The *Bolton News* (Liberal) of the 17th recommends an appeal to the Canadian electorate. The *News* perceives that we are reaping the harvest sown by Sir John Macdonald. "The Canadians," it says, "are now finding out what a heritage of political corruption and fraud has been left them owing to the peculiar policy associated with the name of Sir John Macdonald. There is no suggestion that during the whole of his public career the late Premier was not actuated by the most patriotic motives. What is now discovered is that his ardent desire to preserve a strongly Imperialistic régime led him into directions which gave scope to his subordinates to gratify their own personal ends."